THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION BUREAU OF WASTE PREVENTION DIVISION OF CONSUMER AND TRANSPORTATION PROGRAMS

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Department of Environmental Protection, under its authority pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 111, Sections 142A through 142M, and in conformance with M.G.L. Chapter 30A, will hold a public hearing on amendments to 310 CMR 7.40, The Massachusetts Low Emission Vehicle (LEV) Program. These amendments were filed as an emergency regulation with the Massachusetts Secretary of State on December 19, 2003. A public hearing is being held in order to comply with the public review requirements of M.G.L. Chapter 30A. The purpose of the public hearing is to solicit comments on the amendments to 310 CMR 7.40 which revised the Zero Emission Vehicle (ZEV) mandate to align the Massachusetts LEV program with recent revisions to the ZEV mandate in the California LEV program regulations (Title 13 of the California Code of Regulations).

A public hearing will be conducted to receive public comment, both oral and written, on the regulation.

On: February 25, 2004 – 10:00 am

At: Washington Street Conference Center, 2nd Floor, Rooms A & B

Department of Environmental Protection

One Winter Street

Boston, Massachusetts 02108

The public hearing site is wheelchair accessible. This information is available in alternative format upon request by contacting Debra Doherty, DEP's ADA coordinator, at (617) 292-5565, TDD Service 1-800-298-2207, One Winter Street, Boston, MA 02108.

Testimony may be presented orally and/or in writing at the public hearing. Parties are requested to provide four written copies of their testimony. Written testimony will be accepted until 5:00 p.m. on February 25, 2004. Written testimony may be submitted to: Christine Kirby, Department of Environmental Protection, Bureau of Waste Prevention, One Winter Street, 10th Floor, Boston, MA 02108. Written testimony may also be sent via e-mail to: christine.kirby@state.ma.us

Copies of the regulation and background document will be available for inspection during normal business hours at the Department of Environmental Protection Info Line, One Winter Street, Boston, MA. In addition, these documents will be available on DEP's website at: http://www.state.ma.us/dep/bwp/daqc/daqcpubs.htm#LEV

By order of the Department. Robert W. Golledge, Jr., Commissioner